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NETWORK PHOTOGRAPH SERVICE SYSTEM

## **REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

December 30, 2002

In reply to the Office Action mailed July 30, 2002, the period for reply having been extended two (2) months to December 30, 2002, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

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## IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims have been amended as follows:

25. (Amended) A network photograph service system comprising a center server that stores a photograph taken by a customer as digital image data, the center server carrying out processing for providing services regarding the storage of the digital image data to the customer.